CLAIMS

1 1. A compound of Formula I:



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- 4 wherein
- 5 M represents a macrolide subunit;
- 6 **D** represents a nonsteroidal subunit;
- 7 L is a linker molecule to which each of M and D are covalently linked; and
- 8 pharmaceutically acceptable salts and solvates thereof and individual
- 9 diastereoisomers thereof.
- 1 2. A compound according to claim 1 wherein M represents a group of
- 2 Formula II:

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5 wherein: 6 Z and W independently are: >C=O, $>CH_2$, $>CH-NR_tR_s$, $>N-R_N$ or 7 > C=N-R_M or a bond wherein: 8 R_t and R_s independently are hydrogen or alkyl; 9 R_M is hydroxy, alkoxy, substituted alkoxy or OR^p; 10 R_N is hydrogen, R^p, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, or -C(X)-11 $NR_{\iota}R_{s}$; wherein X is =0 or =S; 12 provided that Z and W cannot both simultaneously be, >C=0, $>CH_2$, 13 $> CH-NR_1R_s$, $> N-R_N$ or $> C=N-R_M$ or a bond, 14 U and Y independently are hydrogen, halogen, alkyl, or hydroxyalkyl; 15 R^1 is hydroxy, OR^p , $-O-S^2$ group or an =O; 16 S¹ is a sugar moiety of formula:

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wherein

19 R⁸ and R⁹ are both hydrogen or together form a bond, or R⁹ is hydrogen 20 and R⁸ is -N(CH₃)R^y, wherein

R^y is R^p, R^z or -C(O)R^z wherein R^z is hydrogen or alkyl or alkenyl or alkynyl or cycloalkyl or aryl or heteroaryl or alkyl substituted with C₂-C₇-alkyl, C₂-C₇-alkenyl, C₂-C₇-alkynyl, aryl or heteroaryl

 R^{10} is hydrogen or R^p ;

S² is a sugar moiety of formula:

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                     wherein:
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                     R<sup>3'</sup> is hydrogen or methyl;
                     R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen, R<sup>p</sup> or O-R<sup>11</sup> is a group that with R<sup>12</sup> and with C/4"
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                     carbon atom forms a > C = O or epoxy group;
                     R<sup>12</sup> is hydrogen or a group that with O-R<sup>11</sup> group and with C/4" carbon
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                     atom forms a > C = O or epoxy group;
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                R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, hydroxy, OR<sup>p</sup> or alkoxy
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                A is hydrogen or methyl;
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                B is methyl or epoxy;
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                E is hydrogen or halogen;
                R<sup>3</sup> is hydroxy, OR<sup>p</sup>, alkoxy or R<sup>3</sup> is a group that with R<sup>5</sup> and with C/11 and
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       C/12 carbon atoms forms a cyclic carbonate or carbamate; or if W or Z is > N-R<sub>N</sub>
       R<sup>3</sup> is a group that with W or Z forms a cyclic carbamate;
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                R<sup>4</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl;
                R<sup>5</sup> is hydrogen, hydroxy, OR<sup>p</sup>, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkoxy, or a group that with R<sup>3</sup> and
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                with C/11 and C/12 carbon atoms forms a cyclic carbonate or carbamate;
                R<sup>6</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkyl;
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       wherein M has a linkage site through which it is linked to D via linking group L;
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       provided that the linkage site being at one or more of the following:
                     a) any reactive hydroxy, nitrogen, or epoxy group located on S^1, S^2, or
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                     an aglycone oxygen if S^1 or/and S^2 is cleaved off;
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                     b) a reactive > N-R_N or -NR_1R_s or = O group located on Z or W;
                     c) a reactive hydroxy group located at any one of R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, and R<sup>5</sup>;
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                     d) any other group that can be first derivatized to a hydroxy or
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                     -NR<sub>1</sub>R<sub>s</sub> group and
                         R<sup>p</sup> is hydroxyl or amino protective group.
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                A compound according to claim 1 wherein L represents a group of
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       Formula IV:
                                             X^{1}-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-Q-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-X^{2}
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- 5 wherein
- 6 X¹ is selected from: -CH₂-, -C(O)-, OC(O)-, N-O- or -OC(O)NH-, -C(O)NH-;
- 7 X^2 is -NH- or -NHC(O)-, -OC(O)-, -C(O)-, -O or -CH₂-;
- 8 Q is -NH- or -CH₂-, or absent;
- 9 wherein each -CH2- or -NH- group may be optionally substituted by C1-C7-alkyl,
- 10 C_2 - C_7 -alkenyl, C_2 - C_7 -alkynyl, $C(O)R^x$, $C(O)OR^x$, $C(O)NHR^x$ wherein R^x may be
- 11 C₁-C₇-alkyl, aryl or heteroaryl;
- the symbols m and n independently are a whole number from 0 to 4, with the
- proviso that if Q is NH, n cannot be 0.
- 1 4. A compound as claimed in claim 1 wherein **D** is derived from the NSAIDs
- 2 selecting from: aceclofenac, acemetacin, acetaminophen, acetaminosalol, acetyl-
- 3 salicylic acid, acetyl-salicylic-2-amino-4-picoline-acid, 5-aminoacetylsalicylic acid,
- 4 alclofenac, aminoprofen, amfenac, ampyrone, ampiroxicam, anileridine, bendazac,
- 5 benoxaprofen, bermoprofen, α-bisabolol, bromfenac, 5-bromosalicylic acid acetate,
- 6 bromosaligenin, bucloxic acid, butibufen, carprofen, celexocib, chromoglycate,
- 7 cinmetacin, clindanac, clopirac, sodium diclofenac, diflunisal, ditazol, droxicam,
- 8 enfenamic acid, etodolac, etofenamate, felbinac, fenbufen, fenclozic acid, fendosal,
- 9 fenoprofen, fentiazac, fepradinol, flufenac, flufenamic acid, flunixin, flunoxaprofen,
- 10 flurbiprofen, glutametacin, glycol salicylate, ibufenac, ibuprofen, ibuproxam,
- 11 indomethacin, indoprofen, isofezolac, isoxepac, isoxicam, ketoprofen, ketorolac,
- 12 lornoxicam, loxoprofen, meclofenamic acid, mefenamic acid, meloxicam,
- 13 mesalamine, metiazinic acid, mofezolac, montelukast, nabumetone, naproxen,
- 14 niflumic acid, nimesulide, olsalazine, oxaceprol, oxaprozin, oxyphenbutazone,
- paracetamol, parsalmide, perisoxal, phenyl-acethyl-salicylate, phenylbutazone,
- 16 phenylsalicylate, pyrazolac, piroxicam, pirprofen, pranoprofen, protizinic acid,
- 17 reserveratol, salacetamide, salicylamide, salicylamide-O-acetyl acid, salicylsulphuric
- 18 acid, salicin, salicylamide, salsalate, sulindac, suprofen, suxibutazone, tamoxifen,
- 19 tenoxicam, tiaprofenic acid, tiaramide, ticlopridine, tinoridine, tolfenamic acid,

- 20 tolmetin, tropesin, xenbucin, ximoprofen, zaltoprofen, zomepirac, tomoxiprol,
- 21 zafirlukast and cyclosporin.
- 1 5. A compound according to claim 2 wherein Z and W together are: -N(CH₃)-
- 2 CH₂-, -NH-CH₂-, -CH₂-NH-, -C(O)-NH- or -NH-C(O)-;
- 3 A and B are methyl;
- 4 E is hydrogen;
- 5 R^2 is hydroxy or methoxy;
- 6 S¹ represents desosamine sugar wherein R⁸ is selected from: hydrogen, methyl,
- 7 amino, C₁-C₆ alkylamino or C₁-C₆ dialkylamino;
- 8 R⁹ and R¹⁰ are hydrogen;
- 9 R¹ is hydroxy or the O-S² group wherein the S² represents a cladinose sugar
- 10 wherein:
- 11 R¹¹ is hydrogen, or O-R¹¹ is a group that with R¹² and with C/4" carbon atom
- forms a >C=O or epoxy group; R^{12} is hydrogen or a group that with O- R^{11}
- and with C/4" carbon atom forms a >C=O or epoxy group;
- 14 R^{13} is methyl;
- 15 U is hydrogen
- 16 Y is methyl;
- 17 R₆ is hydroxy, methyl or ethyl;
- 18 R⁵ is hydrogen, hydroxy, methoxy or a group that with R³ and with C/11 and C/12
- 19 carbon atoms forms a cyclic carbonate or carbamate bridge;
- 20 R³ is hydroxy or a group that forms a cyclic carbamate bridge with W or Z, or R³ is
- 21 a group that with R⁵ and with C/11 and C/12 carbon atoms forms a cyclic carbonate
- or carbamate bridge;
- 23 R⁴ is methyl;
- 24 provided that the linkage is through the nitrogen of Z at N/9a position or through
- 25 the carbon of R^{12} or through the oxygen of R^{11} both at C/4"position of the S^2 sugar.
- 1 6. A compound according to claim 3 wherein

2 X^1 is -CH₂- or -OC(O)-;

3 X^2 is -NHC(O)-;

4 Q is -NH- or absent.

1 7. A compound according to claim 4 wherein

- 2 D is derived from a NSAID selecting from: S-(+) ibuprofen, indomethacin,
- 3 flurbiprofen, naproxen, ketoprofen, acetyl salicylic acid, sulindac, etodolac,
- 4 ketorolac, suprofen, flunixin, diclofenac sodium and tolmetin sodium.

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1 31. Process for the preparation a compound of Formula I

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- 3 which comprises:
- a) for a compound of Formula I, where X² is -NHC(O)-, by reacting a
- 5 compound of Formula V:

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wherein L¹ represents a leaving group, and a free amino group of a macrolide represented by Formula VIa:

 $X^1(CH_2)_mQ(CH_2)_nNH_2$ VIa

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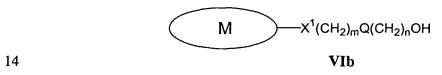
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b) for a compound of Formula I, where X² is -OC(O)-, by reacting a compound of Formula V and the free hydroxyl group of a macrolide represented by Formula VIb:

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16 c) for a compound of Formula I, wherein X¹ is -OC(O)-, Q is 17 NH- and X² is -NHC(O)-, by reacting a macrolide represented by
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and a a free amino group of the compound represented by formula :

d) for a compound of Formula I, where X¹ is -OC(O)NH- and X² is -NHC(O)-, by reacting a macrolide represented by formula

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and free amino group of of the compound represented by formula:

28 e) for a compound of Formula I, where X¹ is -CH₂-, Q is -NH- and X²

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- 30 -NHC(O)-, by reacting a macrolide represented by formula:
- and a compound of Formula V;
- f) for a compound of Formula I by reacting a macrolide represented by
- 33 Formula VIIf or by Formula VIIg or by Formula VIIh having a leaving group L²

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with a free carboxylic acid of nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory subunit.

- 1 32. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 1
- 2 and pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvate thereof as well as pharmaceutically
- 3 acceptable diluent or carrier.
- 1 33. A method of treating inflammatory diseases, disorders and conditions
- 2 characterized by or associated with an undesirable inflammatory immune response,
- 3 and all diseases and conditions induced by or associated with an excessive secretion
- 4 of TNF- α and IL-1 which comprises administering to a subject a therapeutically
- 5 effective amount of a compound according to claim 1.
- 1 34. A method of treating inflammatory conditions and immune or anaphylactic
- 2 disorders associated with infiltration of leukocytes into inflamed tissue in a subject
- 3 in need thereof which comprises administering to said subject a therapeutically
- 4 effective amount of the compound represented by Formula I or a pharmaceutically
- 5 acceptable salts or solvate thereof.
- 1 35. The method according to claim 34, wherein inflammatory conditions and
- 2 immune disorders are selected from the group consisting of asthma, adult
- 3 respiratory distress syndrome, bronchitis, and cystic fibrosis.
- 1 36. A method according to claim 34, wherein said inflammatory conditions and
- 2 immune disorders are selected from the group consisting of inflammatory conditions
- 3 or immune disorders of the lungs, joints, eyes, bowel, skin, and heart.
- 1 37. A method according to claim 34, wherein said inflammatory conditions and
- 2 immune disorders are selected from the group consisting of asthma, adult
- 3 respiratory distress syndrome, bronchitis, cystic fibrosis, rheumatoid arthritis,
- 4 rheumatoid spondylitis, osteoarthritis, gouty arthritis, uveitis, conjunctivitis,

- 5 inflammatory bowel conditions, Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, distal proctitis,
- 6 psoriasis, eczema, dermatitis, coronary infarct damage, chronic inflammation,
- 7 endotoxin shock, and smooth muscle proliferation disorders.
- 1 38. A method for abating inflamation in an affected organ or tissue comprising
- 2 delivering to said organ or tissue a therapeutically effective amount of the
- 3 compound represented by Formula I or a pharmaceutically acceptable salts or
- 4 solvate thereof.